

# Village of Paraje

Greetings to our Paraje Village Families and Friends:

We trust this message finds you all in good health. As you are aware, our feast day is fast approaching on October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2020. The village officials have been approached by many of you asking what will and will not be allowed for the feast day. With the COVID-19 pandemic, public health emergency at extreme levels, and the number of cases rising in the last couple of weeks, it is of utmost importance that we adhere to all safety and precautionary measures so that we don't contribute to the spread of the virus. This being said, and in the spirit of safety and adherence to the executive order, we are asking all Paraje Village members to assist us in the following manner:

- No selling from your homes, vehicles, stands, or any locations.
  - The risk that a vendor may have a positive case who does not know they are positive and spreads the virus by interacting with customers. Or a customer who does not know they are positive and spreads it the virus to the seller.
- No opening of the homes to the general public for feeding.
  - Someone unknowingly inviting a positive case into their home exposing their entire household.
  - The randomness of guests to different households does not allow for effective contact tracing should a case occur.
- Do not convene in large groups beyond 5 people. (This is a rule in the current executive order.)
- Do not invite others to the village for any activities that will cause a crowd to form
- There will be no feast day dances, mass or any gatherings of this nature
- No throwing/Grab Day activities
- Mayordomos have been posting at checkpoints over the last 6 months, please help them to continue to keep the village areas safe by adhering to the curfew and not bringing outsiders into the village proper for extended periods of time.

Your assistance and cooperation in these requests would be greatly appreciated. Like many of you, we as officers want to partake in all our normal feast day activities, but safety and well-being during this public health emergency has to be priority.

In addition, we have been asked about All-Souls day. Like all of our religious, ceremonial, and burial actions that have been postponed due to the pandemic, we would also ask that you refrain from large gatherings on All-Souls day. We are not restricting you from feeding that day, we are simply asking you to refrain from large gatherings beyond 5 people.

Lastly, the POL COVID-19 Test Site remains available for all Laguna Tribal members & residents, POL employees, and POL entity employees. It is open on Monday's, Tuesday's & Wednesday's from 1:00pm-3:00pm. Please register online at <https://forms.gle/bExX9BqdzEDYwjw17> or call to schedule at (505) 221-4028 or (505) 290-4058. Unless you are an essential worker, quarantine is required until test results are received. Continue following the COVID-19 Safe Practices: wear your face mask, socialize at a distance, wash your hands, clean and disinfect your homes/work places often, and stay home if you are feeling ill.

Thank you and please stay safe.  
Village Of Paraje Officials

Attached:  
Pueblo of Laguna Halloween Notice